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NSWMC Resolution No. 1469, Series of 2021

**RESOLUTION ENJOINING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOTr) TO
INSTALL YELLOW BINS/YELLOW BAGS IN ALL TRANSPORT VEHICLES IN THE
AVIATION, MARITIME, AND RAILWAYS SECTORS FOR THE PROPER STORAGE
OF THE GENERATED COVID-19 RELATED WASTE
WHILE IN TRANSIT**

WHEREAS, the National Solid Waste Management Commission (NSWMC) in order to ensure the effective management of COVID-19 related health care wastes issued NSWMC Resolution No. 1364, Series of 2020 Adopting the Interim Guidelines on the Management of COVID-19 related health care wastes;

WHEREAS, the Commission also issued NSWMC Resolution No. 1429, Series of 2021 enjoining all national government agencies to provide yellow bins in their respective premises for the proper storage of household healthcare wastes and to coordinate with their respective local government units for the collection, transport, treatment and disposal of such waste;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 151 (s.2021) issued on November 11, 2021, approved the nationwide rollout of the Alert Level System and adopted the Guidelines on the Implementation of Alert Level System for COVID-19 Response;

WHEREAS, there is a need to ensure that the generated COVID-19 related wastes in areas with Alert Level Systems that allow intrazonal and interzonal travels are managed in accordance with environmental and health requirements to avoid the spread of the disease;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 related wastes (i.e. face masks, tissue papers, face shields, surgical gloves, etc.) that are generated in transit are potentially infectious and contaminated and should be strictly segregated at source;

WHEREAS, infectious or potentially infectious wastes shall be stored in yellow plastic bags/container bins or any storage bags/container bins properly labeled;

WHEREAS, infectious or potentially infectious wastes shall be properly stored, collected, transported, treated and disposed pursuant to environmental laws and other relevant policies;

WHEREAS, the Commission foresees to further expand this requirement to the road sector after holding discussions with the DoTr on the effective and efficient implementation of the same;

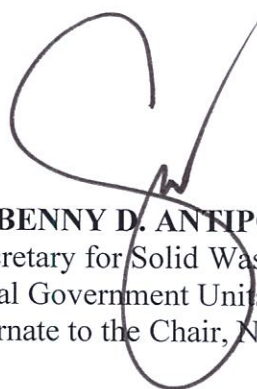
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to enjoin the Department of Transportation to direct the aviation, maritime, and railways sectors to install yellow bins/bags inside all public transportation vehicles and inform the passengers to properly

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dispose of their used healthcare wastes (i.e. face masks, face shields, tissue paper, surgical gloves, etc.) in the said bins.

FURTHER, the DOTr shall implement proper management of the generated COVID-19 related wastes from generation, collection, treatment and disposal.

APPROVED on this 24th day of November, 2021.



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